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RIVERSIDE FOX INAUGURAL CONCERT SEASON ANNOUNCED

RIVERSIDE, CA – The lineup for the Inaugural Concert Season at the newly restored, historic Fox Performing Arts Center was unveiled on Thursday, September 24.

Local radio personality Brian Casey along with the City of Riverside Mayor and City Council announced the highly anticipated schedule of internationally renowned, award-winning recording artists, television and film personalities, comedians and authors.

The grand opening performance for the newly restored Fox will be Grammy Award-winning artist Sheryl Crow on January 22 & 23, 2010, and tickets range from \$65 to \$275.

Flamenco guitarist Benise is scheduled for January 29 & 30, and the tickets range from \$29 to \$99.

Grammy Award-winning artist Natalie Cole continues to astonish with her vocal dexterity and her intimate, knowing way with a lyric and melody and she will grace the stage on February 13.

Legendary contemporary jazz saxophonist, vocalist and talented composer Warren Hill will be performing with the Corona Symphony on February 14.

The renowned chorale group, The Masters of Harmony, will be at the Fox on February 27. This is a male musical ensemble, performing primarily in the barbershop style and dedicated to musical excellence.

Nationally acclaimed soloist Kaitlyn Lusk will be performing with the Inland Pops Orchestra on April 10.

Grammy Award-winning artist Pat Benatar, who is best known for establishing herself as one of rock's top vocalists and one of music's top-selling female artists, will be on stage at the Fox for one night only on April 14.

David Sedaris, who appears frequently on NPR, is the author of "Me Talk Pretty One Day," "Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim," and "Holidays on Ice" appears on stage on May 6 and tickets range from \$37.50-\$65.

America, known for '70s pop hits including "A Horse With No Name" and "Sister Golden Hair," is scheduled to perform on May 8 and tickets range from \$32.50-\$100.

A screening of "Duck Soup" by Groucho Marx will take place on May 22.

One of television's most famous fathers, Bill Cosby, is bringing his comedy act to the stage for a pair of shows on June 5 and tickets range from \$49-\$125.

"We are proud that our Fox Performing Arts Center is attracting such high level performers to the City," said Mayor Ron Loveridge. "No longer will City and Inland Empire residents feel they have to drive for miles on the freeway to enjoy entertainment of this caliber."

The Fox Performing Arts Center is one of Riverside's most revered landmarks. Opened in1929 as a cinema/vaudeville theater house, it attracted well-known performers including Bing Crosby and Judy Garland, while it also became popular for motion-picture previews. The theater may be best known as the site of the first-ever public screening of "Gone with the Wind." In 2007, the City began a major historical restoration of the Fox with the goal of reinventing it as a state-of-the-art performing arts center for Riverside and the Inland Empire.

Tickets are on sale at Ticketmaster at www.ticketmaster.com and the Riverside Municipal Auditorium Box Office.

For more information about schedule and tickets, visit <u>www.foxriversidelive.com</u> or call the box office at (951)788-3944.

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